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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 6, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office action dated October 6, 2008. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office action. This response is therefore timely filed within the extended period of response. This response is accompanied by a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, and by the requisite petition fee in the amount of \$1,110.00 charged to the undersigned's credit card.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.